

ABSTRACT.

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In the references 1st and 3rd read above, it has been brought to the notice of the Government that certain irregularities are being committed in utilization of Govt. and Private Road Rollers, in formation and widening of roads by R&B, Panchayat Raj & Municipalities; that the Govt. Road Rollers were not properly utilized by the concerned Officials, encouraging the Contractors to utilize the private Road Rollers and thereby claiming additional charges and ultimately causing loss to the Govt. Funds; that two Surprise Checks, the first at No.18/SC-ACB-VZM/2000 near A.P. Residential School for Girls, Vamaravillli near K.M. Stone 3 and the Second at No.19/SC-ACB-VZM/2000 near K.M. Stone 4/2 at Thandyam Valasa Village, Srikakulam (Mandal) were conducted on 15.11.2000, which revealed certain irregularities.

2. In the reference 4th read above, disciplinary action was initiated by framing Articles of Charges and calling their Written Statement of Defence against Sri M. Appalanaidu, Section Officer, Panchayat Raj Sub division, Srikakulam, Sri K. Srinivasa Kumar, DEE, and Sri A. Prabhakara Rao, EE, PR.

3. In the references 5th to 7th read above, Sri A. Prabhakara Rao, EE, PR, Sri K. Srinivasa Kumar, DEE, PR, and Sri M. Appalanaidu, Section Officer, Panchayat Raj Sub division, Srikakulam, have submitted their Written Statements of Defences.

4. After examining the Written Statements of Defence of the Charged Officers, Government have called for the specific remarks of the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad on the Written Statements of Defence submitted by the Charged Officers, vide reference 9th read above.

5. In the references 8th and 10th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad has furnished his specific remarks on the Written Statements of Defence

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submitted by Sri A. Prabhakara Rao, EE, PR, Sri K. Srinivasa Kumar, DEE, PR, has stated that the EE, PR Srikakulam has submitted that, on verification of records in the Division, it was admitted fact that the department road rollers were under the direct control of the E.E., PR, Srikakulam during the period mentioned in the charges framed against the above engineers, but not under the control of Head Quarters sub-division and Fuel accounts were verified with reference to log books at division level and approved by the E.E., PR, Srikakulam. With regard to the Written Statement of Defence of Sri M. Appalanaidu, Section Officer, Panchayat Raj Sub division, Srikakulam, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad has concurred with the remarks of the E.E., PIU Division, Srikakulam Dt:15.2.2010, who has reported that as per the Agreement for the work "BT to the Road from NH5 to GC Road (via) Thandemvalasa sanctioned under NABARD RIDF-V Grant, the item rates are for finished items of work and payment was made accordingly for the finished items of work after its completion as per the specifications and it is also a fact that the Contractor has to arrange two Road Rollers at the disposal of the work as per the Agreement. The contention of the Charged Officer that since payment is made only for finished item of work, payment to the Contractor towards hire charges does not arise is correct and also it is a fact that since the Contractor has to engage his own Road Roller, as such, recovery towards hire charges of the Road Roller simply does not arise. Further the E.E., PIU Divn, Srikakulam has opined that the Accused Officer, while working as A.E., P.R, Srikakulam, has not exhibited any lack of integrity or devotion to duty.

6. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have decided to accept the specific remarks submitted by the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad in the references 8th and 10th read above, and to drop further action against S/Sri A. Prabhakara Rao, EE, PR, Sri K. Srinivasa Kumar, DEE, PR, and Sri M. Appalanaidu, Section Officer, Panchayat Raj Sub division, Srikakulam. Accordingly, further action is hereby dropped against S/Sri A. Prabhakara Rao, EE, PR, Sri K. Srinivasa Kumar, DEE, PR, and Sri M. Appalanaidu, Section Officer, Panchayat Raj Sub division, Srikakulam.

7. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad shall take necessary further action, in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

DR. RAJIV SHARMA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (PR).

To
The Engineer-in-Chief,
Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad(W.E's.)
The individuals **through** the Engineer-in-Chief,
Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Director General,
Anti Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.
(w.r.t. Rc.Nos.179/DE-S-VVZ/2000, Dt:7.5.2008 and 20.10.2008).
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner,
A.P. Vigilance Commission,
Hyderabad. (Lr. No.5634/VC.G1/2009, Dated:1.11.2010).

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SECTION OFFICER